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TO : Chief, Foreign Division "M" DATE: 12 March 1951
FROM : Acting Chief of Station, Karlsruhe *a/ky*
SUBJECT: GENERAL CAUTERY-5]
SPECIFIC: Defection Prospect
MOB-A-8263; 8264.

Synopsis: Through CAUTERY-1 and CAUTERY-2 we are being kept informed on contact alleged to have been established between Identity-2 and CAUTERY-5, a defection target.

1. CAUTERY-5 was first visited by Identity-2 on 22 February 1951. The place of meeting was CAUTERY-5's office. Identity-2 had to report to the visitor's bureau in Karlshorst Kommandatura where a Soviet officer, speaking fluent German, interviewed him. He was asked whom he wanted to meet (name and rank) and in what office. After having answered these questions satisfactorily, Identity-2 had to give a detailed account of the business he wanted to discuss. His explanation that the settlement of several outstanding accounts was going to be the topic dealt with, was duly recorded. Next, CAUTERY-5 was called on the internal SCC telephone system. Having been informed of Identity-2's presence, CAUTERY-5 requested that the former submit documentary evidence for his claims in Russian translation and made an appointment for the next day. The same procedure had to be gone through once more. Identity-2 was issued a stamped visitor's slip, authorizing him to enter the compound. Next, he reported to the guard in charge of the office building who again called CAUTERY-5 on the telephone and who then escorted Identity-2 to the anteroom. During the interview, the guard remained outside the room. The conversation was conducted in a friendly yet formal manner. The official part of the conversation having been terminated, CAUTERY-5 extended an invitation to Identity-2 to visit him at his private residence on 25 February. After CAUTERY-5 had signed the visitor's slip, Identity-2 was escorted back to the Kommandatura. He there turned in his visitor's slip and was permitted to pass.

2. The visit at CAUTERY-5's residence in Oberschoenweide took place on 25 February 1951, as scheduled. Identity-2 reported in the guard room of the residential compound at about 11 AM, was announced by phone and escorted to the house in which CAUTERY-5 lives. He was granted a most cordial reception by his host, dressed in uniform, who immediately started plying him with vodka. After a while, CAUTERY-5's family, his wife and two daughters, aged 6 and 8, were called into the living room to be introduced to Identity-2. For a while CAUTERY-5 returned to his office and during this time Identity-2 and the children played the piano. This whole visit lasted about four hours.

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